City of Lafayette Staff Report

For:	City Council
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Subject:	Designation of City Manager to Award Stanley Boulevard and Warner Court Intersection Safety Project

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Introduction / Discussion

Several capital improvement projects have been scheduled for this summer on Stanley Boulevard. When completed these projects will implement the neighborhood traffic calming plan, make safety improvements, as well as provide a five foot wide sidewalk from Camino Diablo to Warner Court. Due to the bureaucracy of the different grant funding sources involved in these projects, we were not able to combine these projects into one project.

In order to implement these projects with the least disruption to residents it would be beneficial to expedite and coordinate the start of construction of the various phases. This could be accomplished more easily if the bidding and award schedule does not have to conform to the normal council meeting calendar. For that reason, staff recommends that the City Council delegates the authority to the City Manager to award the Stanley Boulevard and Warner Court Intersection Safety Project. This assumes that the award can be made for a project within budget, and no additional fund allocation would be needed. Staff would update the City Council on the bidding and award information on the Consent Calendar immediately following the award. The City Council will recall recently approving a similar protocol for the project using federal stimulus money.

The Stanley/Warner project is currently out to bid, with bid opening scheduled for April 29.

Fiscal Impact

The project is eligible to receive $60,000 in federal grant funds, with an $8,000 local match.

Recommendation

Delegate authority to the City Manager to award the Stanley Boulevard and Warner Court Intersection Safety Project, in an amount not to exceed the previously allocated budget of $68,000.

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